

BANKING SYSTEM REFORM NEEDED

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Philadelphia, Dec. 8.—The Need for Currency Reform was discussed by Senator Aldrich, chairman of the national monetary commission; Senator Burton, a member of the commission; Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Andrew, a former secretary of the commission, and Director Roberts of the mint, at a special session of the American academy of political and social science here tonight.

Senator Aldrich declared that in his opinion the reform of the present banking system was the most important work now before the monetary commission. The currency problem would adjust itself, he said, when the banking system was taken care of.

He said many methods prescribed by law for the control of national banks had become obsolete, and "the national government, having assumed control of the organization of credit, it is manifestly incumbent upon it to enter at the earliest possible moment upon such a revision of our national banking legislation as will make our

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methods and practices more responsive to the demands of our modern business life."

Continuing, Senator Aldrich said: "The virtual weakness and practical defects of our national banking system are shown by the relative growth of national banks and state banks and trust companies in the last 25 years. Within this period the number of national banks has increased 4268, while the number of state banks and trust companies has increased 11,085.

"The capital and surplus of the state banks and trust companies have increased in the same time from \$175,000,000 to \$1,283,000,000. In many important communities practically all the banking business is carried on by state trust companies.

"It is manifest that the state banks and trust companies are better organized to respond to the business demands of the communities in which they are located."

Senator Burton said the need for currency reform did not arise from any insufficiency in the general amount. With the exception of France, the per capita circulation in the United States is larger than in any other great country.

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